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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Availability of Seats for National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Councils

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice and request for applications.

SUMMARY: ONMS is seeking applications for vacant seats for 8 of its 13 national marine sanctuary advisory councils (advisory councils). Vacant seats, including positions (i.e., primary member and alternate), for each of the advisory councils are listed in this notice under Supplementary Information. Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; views regarding the protection and management of marine or Great Lake resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as primary members or alternates should expect to serve two- or three year terms, pursuant to the charter of the specific national marine sanctuary advisory council.

DATES: Applications are due by June 30, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Application kits are specific to each advisory council. As such, application kits must be obtained from and returned to the council-specific addresses noted below.

- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Hannah Weddington, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, 33 East Quay Rd., Key West, FL 33040; (305) 809-4700 extension 241; email Hannah.Weddington@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://floridakeys.noaa.gov/sac/welcome.html?s=sac>.
- Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Becky Shortland, Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, 10 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, GA 31411; (912) 598-2381; email Becky.Shortland@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://graysreef.noaa.gov/management/sac/welcome.html>.
- Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Leslie Abramson, Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary, 991 Marine Drive, The Presidio, San Francisco, CA 94129; (415) 561-6622 extension 306; email Leslie.Abramson@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://farallones.noaa.gov/manage/sac.html>.
- Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Inouye Regional Center, ATTN: NOS/HHWNMS/Daniela Kittinger, 1845 Wasp Blvd., Building 176, Honolulu, HI 96818; (808) 725-5905; email Daniela.Kittinger@noaa.gov;

or download application from

http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov/council/council_application.html.

- Monitor National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Shannon Ricles, Monitor National Marine Sanctuary, 100 Museum Drive, Newport News, VA 23606; (757) 591-7328; email Shannon.Ricles@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://monitor.noaa.gov>.
- National Marine Sanctuary of American Samoa Advisory Council: Joseph Paulin, National Marine Sanctuary of American Samoa, Tauese P.F. Sunia Ocean Center, Utulei, American Samoa; (684) 633-6500; email Joseph.Paulin@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://americansamoa.noaa.gov>.
- Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Karlyn Langjahr, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary, 115 East Railroad Ave., Suite 101, Port Angeles, WA 98362; (360) 457-6622 extension 31; email Karlyn.Langjahr@noaa.gov; or download application from http://olympiccoast.noaa.gov/involved/sac/sac_welcome.html.
- Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Council: Elizabeth Stokes, Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary, 175 Edward Foster Road, Scituate, MA 02066; (781) 545-8026 extension 201; email Elizabeth.Stokes@noaa.gov; or download application from <http://stellwagen.noaa.gov/management/sac/documents.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on a particular national marine sanctuary advisory council, please contact the individual identified in the Addresses section of this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ONMS serves as the trustee for 14 marine protected areas encompassing more than 170,000 square miles of ocean and Great Lakes waters from the Hawaiian Islands to the Florida Keys, and from Lake Huron to American Samoa. National marine sanctuaries protect our Nation's most vital coastal and marine natural and cultural resources, and through active research, management, and public engagement, sustains healthy environments that are the foundation for thriving communities and stable economies. One of the many ways ONMS ensures public participation in the designation and management of national marine sanctuaries is through the formation of advisory councils. National marine sanctuary advisory councils are community-based advisory groups established to provide advice and recommendations to the superintendents of the national marine sanctuaries and the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument on issues including management, science, service, and stewardship; and to serve as liaisons between their constituents in the community and the sanctuary. Additional information on ONMS and its advisory councils can be found at <http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov>. Information related to the purpose, policies and operational requirements for advisory councils can be found in the charter for a particular advisory council (http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/management/ac/council_charters.html) and the National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Implementation Handbook (<http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/management/ac/acref.html>).

The following is a list of the vacant seats, including positions (i.e., primary member or alternate), for each of the national marine sanctuary advisory councils currently seeking applications for primary members and alternates:

Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Diving - Upper Keys (alternate).

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Citizen at large (primary member).

Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Community-At-Large Marin and Sonoma (primary member); Community-At-Large Marin and Sonoma (alternate); Conservation (primary member); Conservation (alternate); Maritime Activities/Recreation (primary member); Maritime Activities/Recreation (alternate); Research (primary member); Research (alternate); and Community-At-Large San Francisco/San Mateo (alternate).

Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Business Commerce (primary member); Tourism (primary member); Native Hawaiian (alternate); Commercial Shipping (alternate); Honolulu County (alternate); and Hawaii County (alternate).

Monitor National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Economic Development (primary member); and Youth (primary member).

National Marine Sanctuary of American Samoa Advisory Council: Community-At-Large, Manu'a (primary member); Community-At-Large, Aunu'u (primary member); Fishing (primary member, 2 seats); and Diving (primary member).

Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Education (alternate); and Marine Resources Committee (alternate).

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Mobile Gear Commercial Fishing (alternate).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. Sections 1431, *et seq.*

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